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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

John S. BOBO et al.

Group Art Unit: 1614

Application No.: 10/024,143

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Docket No.: 108774

For: **BIOCOMPATIBLE POLYMERS AND ADHESIVES: COMPOSITIONS, METHODS OF MAKING AND USES RELATED THERETO**

RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), this Renewed Petition is filed to request acceptance and examination of the above-identified application without the signatures on the Declaration of two of the three co-inventors.

The last known addresses of the non-signatory co-inventors are 1) J. Christopher Marmo, 39 Green Gables Ct., Danville, California, 94506, and 2) Scott Marc Cannizzaro, 3131 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19104.

I. Background

On June 17, 2002, Applicants submitted a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), accompanied by the four requirements of §1.47(a). Specifically, the Petition included: 1) the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), 2) documents supporting the claim that inventors Scott Marc Cannizzaro and J. Christopher Marmo refused to sign the Declaration after being presented with the application papers, 3) a statement of the last known addresses of the non-signing

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inventors, and 4) a Declaration of the signing inventors on behalf of the non-signing inventors.

A Decision on Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) was mailed on July 15, 2002. The Decision indicates that the Petition has been dismissed without prejudice. Specifically, the Decision indicates that the Petition fails to provide an Oath or Declaration for the patent application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63 and §1.64. In particular, the Decision indicates that the Declaration submitted with the Petition does not set forth the citizenship of the non-signing inventors, and that neither the Declaration nor the Application Data Sheet includes the residence and mailing address of the non-signing inventors. The Decision indicates that a new Oath or Declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63 and §1.64 signed by the signing inventors on behalf of themselves and on behalf of the non-signing inventors is required.

II. Statement of Facts

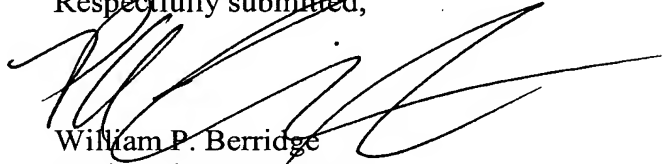
In view of the Decision, the attached new Declaration/Power of Attorney has been executed by the signing inventors on behalf of themselves and on behalf of the non-signing inventors. The new Declaration/Power of Attorney includes both the residence and mailing addresses, as well as the citizenship, of the non-signing inventors. The new executed Declaration/Power of Attorney is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63 and §1.64.

III. Actions Requested

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) have been satisfied. It is respectfully requested that the application be accepted for examination without Mr. Cannizzaro's and Mr. Marmo's signatures. The Decision indicates that no additional fee is required for filing this Renewed Petition. However, Applicants hereby authorizing the charging of any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

If any further information is needed in order to obtain acceptance and examination of this application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) and/or 37 C.F.R. §1.63, Applicants' undersigned representative invites the Patent Office to telephone at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment:
Executed Declaration/Power of Attorney

Date: September 16, 2002

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